Revenue Secretary.—

Government are not in possession of these details. They do not receive remission statements as sent up by Shekdars nor are they disposed of by Government.

Mr. Krishna Rao.—

Will they obtain and furnish the information?

Dewan.—

Every information cannot be furnished by Government. Whatever recommendations the Jamabandi officer makes will be sanctioned; the progress at each stage cannot be made known to the public. There is no object in giving anybody information in regard to what the lowest officer recommends. The final recommendations of the Jamabandi officer are perhaps what you want to know. Government are not prepared to give that information, and the fact that it has not been given already means that Government will not give it in future too. But if remissions are not adequate, an appeal to Government may be preferred.

Mr. Krishna Rao.—

Are Government satisfied that the remissions granted have afforded sufficient relief?

Dewan.—

Yes; because no large number of appeals have been received.

Mr. Paramasiviah.—

Will Government say how the balance of money intended for flood relief is proposed to be utilised?

Revenue Secretary.—

That is a question for the Central Committee to decide.

MESSRS. HOSAKOPPA KRISHNA RAO, JAMMATIGE SHAMA JOIS, HONNIAH HEGGADE (Koppa Taluk).—

Q.—**18.** Will the Government be pleased to state the period at which the salaries of the officers of the State, both highly paid and low paid were fixed with information as to the living charges that prevailed at that time, and the percentage of comparative increase or decrease in the living charges obtaining at present in the case of officers of both these classes.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—The existing scales of salaries were fixed at different times and the cost of living is only one of the several factors governing the fixing of salaries. Information in regard to the comparative cost of living at different times is not available and cannot therefore be presented to the members.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. Ramaswami.—

Is it under contemplation to raise the salaries of Government servants in view of the present high prices of foodstuffs and other necessaries of life ?

Dewan.—

That is a new question.

MESSRS. HOSKOPPA KRISHNA RAO, JAMMATIGE SHAMA JOIS, HONNIAH HEGGADE (Koppa Taluk).

Q.—**19.** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement of Government servants under the following heads:—

(*a*) Those who receive more than Rs. 1,000 per mensem;

(*b*) Those who receive above Rs. 500 per mensem;

(*c*) Those who receive above Rs. 100 per mensem;

(*d*) Those who receive below Rs. 100 per mensem;

(*e*) Peons and other servants with the total number and the total salary under each heading in the years 1912-13, 1921-22 and 1923-24.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—The particulars required are available in the published Budgets for the years mentioned. The members are referred to them.

MESSRS. HOSKOPPA KRISHNA RAO, JAMMATIGE SHAMA JOIS, HONNIAH HEGGADE (Koppa Taluk).

Q.—**20.** Will the Government be pleased to state what steps they have taken (or intend to take) to give effect to the resolution passed unanimously in the October